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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7316

BILL NUMBER: HB 1661

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 10, 2005

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Legislator salary and retirement health benefits.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Frizzell

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: Pending

Summary of Legislation: This bill beginning in 2007, provides for an annual increase in legislator salaries based on the salary increases, if any, received by executive branch employees during the previous year. This bill provides that the legislator salary increase will not occur if the most recent state budget act includes a finding that state finances do not permit the increase to take place. It also increases (from ten to 20) the years a former member of the general assembly must have served in order to participate in the state health insurance program, and requires the former member to leave the program when the former member becomes eligible for Medicare. This bill prohibits legislative leaders from making an election to have the general assembly contribute any part of the health insurance premium for former members of the General Assembly whose last day of service is after November 7, 2006. This bill also continues certain elections made by legislative leaders concerning conditions for participation in the state health insurance program, including the payment of 95% of the premium for that coverage by the House of Representatives or the Senate. This bill repeals and relocates without change certain provisions concerning eligibility requirements for the spouse of a legislator who dies in office.

Effective Date: July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.*

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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